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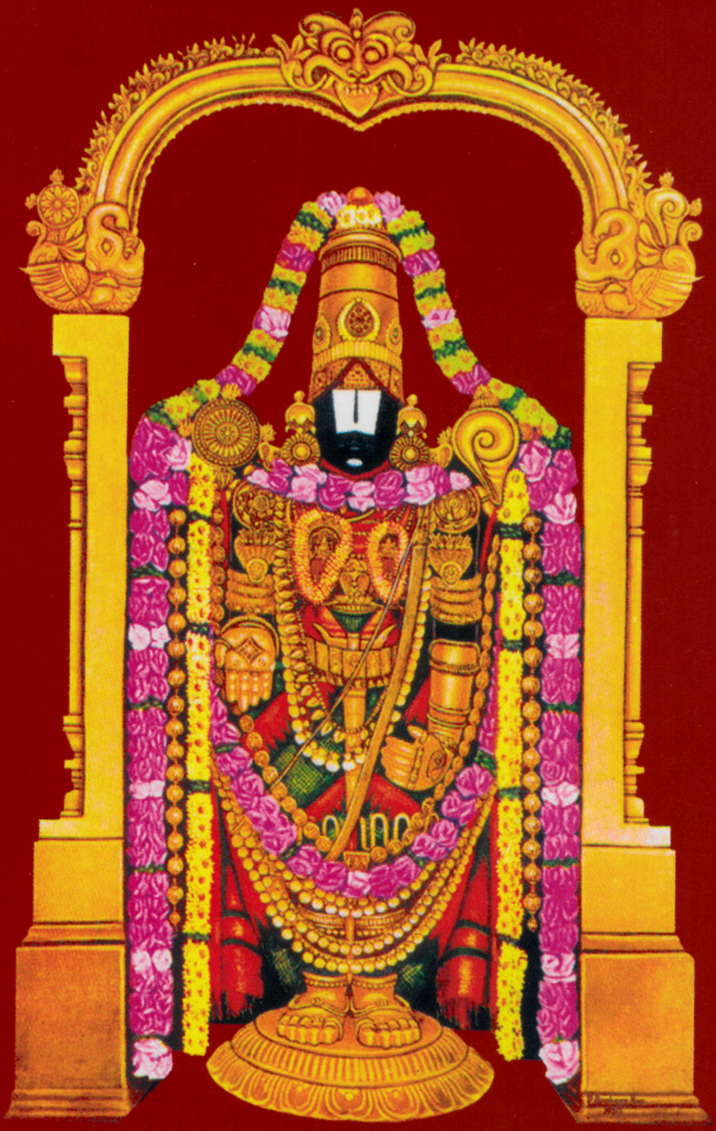

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NIVEDANA

(*Foreword*)

Venkatadri Samamsthanam Brahmande Naasthi Kinchana
Venkatesa Samo Devo Na Bhootho Na Bhavishyathi
- Brahmanda Purana

There is no sacred place equal to Venkatadri in this Universe..And there is no God who is Equal to Lord Sri Venkateswara, either in the past or in the present or in the future. Lord Srimannarayana of Sri Vaikuntham descended on the sacred Tirumala Hills to redeem us all from worldly miseries in Kaliyuga. Lord Sri Venkateswara is the Supreme Lord. He is known by several names in Kaliyug like Sri Venkateswara, Srinivasa, Govinda, Balaji, Seshachalavasa, Venkatachalapathi, Venkataramana, Edukondalavadu, Apadamokkulavadu etc. You call Him by any name, He will answer your prayers instantly.

My parents, Late Brahmasri Timmaraju Narasimha Rao and Smt.Naga Ratnamba were great devotees of the Lord and served Him throughout their life. Every day early in the morning, my father used to read Sri Venkateswara Suprabhatam and this was instrumental in cultivating my devotion to the Lord in me. From that time He became my whole and soul. Though I have studied Engineering, my heart always used to be on Veda Sastras. Lord Sriniavsa would always present in my core.

I was born in 1956 in my maternal grandfather's home at Pothunuru village near Eluru in Andhra Pradesh. I did my education in Pothunuru, Nagarjuna Sagar, Hyderabad and Warangal. In 1983, I took my M.Tech. in Electrical Engineering from Regional

Engineering College, Warangal. Till 1988 I worked in Allwyn and later till 1998 I worked in Matrusri Engineering College. Since 1993, I am in to selecting company names and designing logos for companies by applying Vedic Astrological Principles. I have so far advised more than 6,000 companies worldwide. With Lord Srinivasa's Grace, all these businesses are running very well.

I have so far written around 25 devotional books of which 15 are on Lord Sri Venkateswara alone. All these books are being read by millions of devotees across the world regularly. Srivari Darsan, a book on Lord Sri Venkateswara written by me in English has become very popular and is now part of several prestigious Libraries like Harvard, Cornell, Chicago, Columbia, Washington etc. in USA, Oxford, Cambridge in UK, University of Heidelberg, Germany, Royal Denmark Library, Copenhagen, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, University of Zurich, Switzerland etc. In fact, my entire set of 15 books on Lord Sri Venkateswara found a place in Harvard and Heidelberg. I strongly believe all this has been possible only due to the blessings of Lord Sri Srinivasa and nothing else.

Lord Sri Venkateswara is the kindest. He knows all our limitations, weaknesses, shortcomings, difficulties. If we pray Him with utmost devotion, He will instantly answer our prayers and pull us instantly from the troubles we are in and will grant us our wishes. We should completely surrender to Him leaving our ego. What all we need to get His grace is simple and pure devotion. Lord Sri Venkateswara has been showering His immense Grace on millions of devotees from times immemorial. Lord Sri Venkatswara existed on Tirumala from the beginning of Creation. He is Self Manifest in an Idol form, sculpted by neither humans nor devathas.

By the grace of Lord Sri Venkateswara I wrote Sri Venkateswara Vrata Kalpam in 2005. Lord Srinivasa appeared in a dream to me on an auspicious day and instructed me to come to Tirumala. Accordingly, I went to Tirumala and sat infront of the temple and went in to meditation. What I saw in divine vision changed the course of my life forever...For, Lord Srimannarayana Himself appeared before my eyes in the all encompassing Viswaroopam. Lord gave His Darsan with thousand heads and thousand hands and spreading up to the sky behind the sacred Tirumala temple. I could not see anything except Lord for a few minutes. It was indeed a mesmerizing experience for me. And a life changing one!

Lord then started to narrate Sri Venkateswara Vratha kalpam to me. I simply wrote whatever I heard on that memorable day. I could clearly listen to Lord Srinivasa's divine voice.and nothing came in my vision nor I was hearing any sounds aroud me. I was oblivious to my surroundings. It was just Lord Srimannarayana and myself. How blessed I am ! What else can I ask my Lord? He then blessed with the Vratam procedure and narrated the first story. Lord told me that four sages who are very dear to Him will reveal the other four stories. Accordingly Sages Viswamitra, Vasishta, Bharadwaja and Athri appeared before me in divine vision and narrated the other four stories

It is only the grace of Lord Srinivasa and nothing else that I could write Sri Venkateswara Vrata Kalpam. I was only holding the pen. It is He who narrated to me the whole procedure and the first story. Lord Srimannarayana Himself blessed us with this simple Vratam (puja) to save us all from the perils of Kaliyuga. Sri Venkateswara Vratam is simple and can be performed by anyone irrespective of their Religion, Caste or Creed. Any devotee can perform it very easily. The puja can be performed in two ways.

The first method is elabortate and detailed and needs the assistance of a priest. As Lord Srimannarayana is the most Merciful and knows all our limitations in this Kaliyug, He blessed us with simple method too, the second method. Lord Srimannarayana Himself says He will give equal result to either method. The second method is very simple and takes less than 20 minutes.

Sri Venkateswara Vratam is being read by millions of devotees across the world in the simpler method. It is estimated that more than 10 million devotees read the five stories in the book every Saturday and are leading happy and prosperous lives. They belong to various religions and various nationalities and are spread across continents. Not only Indians, but many American, British, French, German and Chinese and several other nationals too read the five stories regularly.

One does not have to follow rigorous procedures to perform this Vratam. What all we need is just utmost faith and devotion to Supreme Lord Sri Venkateswara. One can perform it either in the morning or in the evening according to their convenience. There is no need for fasting. You can go ahead with your normal activity after performing the Vratam. It takes less than 20 minutes to do in the second method.

Everday, I get hundreds of messages, e-mails, phone calls telling me how miracles are happening in their lives after reading the Sri Venkateswara Vratam. Somene gets a job, someone gets an elevation in the job, someone else gets married, someone gets cured from a long standing illness, someone else gets money in time for his house construction, someone is blessed with children...Whatever may be your wish, it will be fulfilled soon after reading the Vratam. Many devotees make it a practice to read it everyday too. They say the

day goes off smoothly if they read the stories in the morning. They simply read the five stories and offer some fruits or just a spoon of sugar as naivedyam (offering) to Lord Sri Venkateswara Swamy and take it as Prasad.

I strongly believe that it is nothing but punya of several births that I am blessed by Lord Sri Venkateswara with this powerful Vratam. I feel greatly blessed by Sages Viswamitra, Vasishta, Bharadwaja and Atri. I bow myself to the sacred feet of Lord Sri Venkateswara and the four Sages for blessing me with this Vratam. What else do I need in this life? I humbly submit to my Lord Srinivasa that I will dedicate the whole of my life to spreading of Sri Venkata Tatwam and serving His devotees. Every action of mine is only directed towards this goal.

Sri Venkateswara Vratam is now translated in to more than 12 languages by devotees themselves. I thank each one of them for spreading this sacred Sri Venkateswara Vratam in their lanuguages and in their countries. I thank each and everyone who helped me in translating this powerful Vratam into English and several other languages.

I earnestly pray Lord Srinivasa to bless you all who perform the Vratam, who listen to the Vratam stories, who take the Prasad after Vratam is completed.

Sarvejana Sukhinobhavanthu
Sriyah Kanthaya Kalyana Nidhaye Nidhyerthinaam
Sri Venkata Nivasaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

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VRATAM GUIDELINES

*Sri Venkateswara Vratam can be performed by anyone irrespective of their Religion, Caste or Creed. Apart from Indians, many Americans, British, French, German, Chinese and several other nationals too read this Vratam regularly.

*It is not mandatory that only married couple should perform this Vratam. Any individual, irrespective of their marital status can perform it. Also a wife can do independently and husband can also do independently or both together.

*Widowed men and women too, can read the Vratam without any hesitation whatsoever. One can read the five stories anytime of the day and feel relaxed. Purity of mind is important. Many elderly people read the five stories everyday .

*There is no restriction on the number of times the Vratam is to be performed. It is simply an individual's choice. Some perform it for seven Saturdays, some for 21 Saturdays, some at stretch for 21 days, some read it every Ekadasi (eleventh day of Lunar Month) and Poornima (Full moon) day...You can simply read it whenever you feel like reading it.

*If you are planning to do it for fulfillment of any particular wish, read the five stories and offer some fruits or any freshly prepared sweet or even a glass of fresh milk or a spoon of sugar as Naivedyam. If you have time, read the three ashtotharams too, namely Sri Venkateswara Ashotharam, Sri Mahalakshmi Ashtotharam and Sri Padmavathi Ashtotharam.

*Nowadays, Sri Venkateswara Vratam is being performed regularly in many temples too by devotees . And many devotees are performing it enmasse in Groups also. In such cases one can perform the Vratam and all others can listen to the stories. It also amounts to each devotee performing the Vratam.

*Many people read the five stories whenever they feel agitated in mind...the moment they read they feel relaxed...Some read it while travelling...the journey will be smooth and safe...Some read it when they get in to some problem...the moment they complete the five stories, the problem gets resolved instantly.

*Even children can read the five stories for success in examinations. Many people got cured from severe illnesses too after reading the five stories. Devotees experience positive things happening in their lives after reading the Vratham.

*Many devotees always carry the book with them wherever they go.They firmly believe that merely keeping the book brings them good fortune. It is as though Lord Srinivasa is Himself with them.

*Lord Srinivasa says, He Himself will come in some form to take prasad if we read it with complete faith and devotion. He may come in the form of an unexpected guest, or as an animal, or as a bird, or as an insect and take prasad Himself. It has been the experience of millions of devotees that Lord Sri Venkateswara visiting their house in some form to take prasad Himself.

VRATAM PROCEDURE

Sri Venkateswara Vratam can be performed in two methods. First method is elaborate and normally requires the assistance of a Priest.The second method is simple and any individual can do it himself / herself in less than 20 minutes. It is customary in many Indian families to perform the Vratam in the first method on auspicious occasions like marriages, house warming, starting a new business, joining a new job, naming a new born baby, Upanayanam etc. In fact, many devotees perform the Vratam in simple method too on all such auspicious occasions.

Sri Venkateswaara Vratam is the simplest and easiest way to get blessings of Lord Sri Venkateswara in Kaliyug. Whatever you wish, it will be fulfilled immediately after performing this Vratam. Blessed by Lord Sri Venkateswara to a devotee Viswapathi, it is very easy to perform. It can be performed by anyone, at any time. One will get rid of financial problems, health problems and get peace of mind by performing this most sacred Vratam.

First Method:

In this Kaliyuga, the easiest way to receive the blessings of Sri Venkateswara Swamy is to perform Sri Venkateswara Vratam.

As soon as one performs the Vratam, all difficulties can be overcome. Ordained by the Supreme Lord Himself, this Vratam is very easy to perform. It can be performed by anyone and anywhere. All financial, health and various other problems related to mental and physical conditions would surely be resolved if one performs this Vratham. Likewise, one can perform this Vratham before any

auspicious event like marriage, house warming etc. Anyone seeking a good career and positive results in one's own business could also perform this Vratham and experience fruitful outcome.

As specified earlier, the Vratham can be performed at any time. Performing the Vratham especially in the months of Margasira, Magha, Karthika or the auspicious days of Lunar *tithis* -Poornima, Panchami, Saptami, Ekadasi or on the days of Sravana, Swati nakshatras yields most favourable results. This Vratham can be performed either in the morning or evening, on any given day. This Vratham comprises of five chapters. The first one has been inspired by the Lord Himself, and the remaining four stories were blessed by the great Sages— Viswamitra, Vasishta, Bharadwaja and Athri. This Vratham can be performed not only in one's house, own or rental, but also in a temple, any holy place or on the banks of a river.

It is recommended that one should invite one's friends and relatives while performing the Vratham. First of all, the 'puja area' has to be cleaned properly. A 'mantapam' has to be installed in the 'puja area' with the Lord's photo placed on it. A photo of Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy along with his consorts Sridevi and Bhudevi is recommended (as seen in the back cover of this book). One can also place a small idol of the Lord or a one rupee coin (to represent the Lord) during the Puja. A Kalasam has to be arranged. If one can not get photo of Kalyana Sri Venkateswara Swamy, they can instead place a photo of Lord Sri Venkateswara also. You will find a photo of Kalyana Sri Venkateswara Swamy on the back cover of this book. You can take a print of it and use it.

The puja starts with the worship of the Lord Ganesha (made of turmeric) to overcome all obstacles for performing the Vratham.

Navagraha Devatas and Ashta Dikpalakas have to be invoked to be virtually present during the Puja or one can even pray to them by meditating upon them. Then the five stories have to be read. A very significant aspect of this Vratam, is that Lord Sri Venkateswara Swamy telling Viswapathi that He Himself will come in some form to take Prasad wherever the Vratam is done with complete faith and utmost devotion. Lord told Viswapathi that He may come either in the form of an unknown guest, or as an animal, or as a bird, or as an insect and will definitely take Prasad. We may or may not notice, but Lord Srinivasa will certainly come and take Prasad wherever this Vratam is performed with utmost faith and devotion.It is the experience of millions of devotees that an uninvited guest visiting as a surprise whenever the Vratam is done with full faith and utmost devotion.

Second Method:

One interesting aspect is, Lord Himself had told Viswapathi said that if one cannot do Vratham elaborately due to any circumstances like lack of time, financial problems or any other issues, one can perform it alone.

Just place the picture of the Lord in front of you, pray to Lord Vighneswara, Navagrahas, and Ashtadiskpalakas.

If possible read the Sri Venkateswara, Sri Mahalakshmi, Sri Padmavathi Astotharams, then read five stories of the Vratham.

In General:

Keep Tulasi leaves, coconuts, fruits and flowers in a plate. Pray to Lord and read all the five chapters. Offer Naivedyam of coconut and fruits and then have the same as Prasadam. This is bound to give you instant good results.

After reading each chapter, a coconut can be offered as 'Naivedyam'. Or one can break only one coconut at the end of the Vratham. For the Maha Prasadam—wheat rawa, sugar have to be mixed with ghee (like that of the Satyanarayana Swamy Vratha Prasadam). Banana can be added to the Naivedyam before offering the same to the Lord. Devotees must chant 'Govinda Govinda Govinda' thrice after the completion of each chapter.

Since Swamy Varu is fond of Tulasi leaves, one has to make sure to use them in the Puja for good results. After the completion of the Puja these Tulasi leaves can be distributed among the devotees along with the Prasadam. The blessed Tulasi leaves would help heal many diseases and bestow prosperity on devotees. Once the Vratham is completed the coconuts offered during the puja must be broken into small pieces and distributed along with the Maha Prasadam.

All of us need to understand one thing!!! Only the Lord is aware of all our problems and no one else. Hence pray to the kind hearted Lord Srinivasa, and seek His Grace by performing the Vratham to fulfil one's wishes. All the problems would be removed and one would be blessed with prosperity.

Samastha Sanmangalaani Bhavanthu
Sri Lakshmi Srinivasa Kataaksha Siddhirasthu!!!

SRI VENKATESWARA VRATA KALPAM (SIMPLE METHOD)

You have to read the following three mantras before reading the stories

Sri Ganesha Prardhana…

Om Sri Vighneswarayanamaha

Navagraha Prardhana

Adityayacha Somaya Mangalaya Budhayacha

Guru Sukra Sanibhyascha Rahavae Kethave Namaha

Ashta Dikpalaka Prardhana

Indrayanamaha…Varunayanamaha…Yamayanamaha…
Agnidevayanamaha...Vayudevayanamaha…Kuberayanamaha
…Esaanyayanamaha…Niruthenamaha…

You can also pray any of your Ishta Devathas (Gods of your liking) before starting the Sri Venkateswara Vratam…

If you have time, read the following three Ashotharams… Sri Venkateswara Ashtotharam…. Sri Maha Lakshmi Ashtotharam…Sri Padmavathi Astotharam…

OR YOU CAN STRAIGHT AWAY GO TO THE STORIES AND READ THEM

Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam

(Detailed Method)

Sri Ganapathi Dhyanam

Vakrathunda Mahaakaaya Koti Surya Samaprabha

Nirvighnam Kurume Deva Sarvakaryeshu Sarvadaa

Suklaambaradharam Vishnum Sasivarnam Chaturbhujam |

Prasannavadanam Dhyaayet Sarva Vighnopasaantayae ||

Thadeva Lagnam Sudinam Thadeva Thaaraabalam Chandrabalam Thadeva |

Vidyaabalam Daivabalam Thadeva Lakshmipathe Thenghriyugam Smaraami ||

Aachamanam

Take water from the small tumbler in front of you and sip 3 spoons while uttering Om Kesavayanamaha…Om Narayanayanamaha… Om Madhavayanamaha…and then read following 24 Kesava Namaas of Lord Srimannarayana

Om Kesavaaya Namaha	Om Sankarshanaaya Namaha
Om Narayanaaya Namaha	Om Vaasudevaaya Namaha
Om Maadhavaya Namaha	Om Pradyumnaaya Namaha
Om Govindaaya Namaha	Om Anirudhaaya Namaha
Om Vishnave Namaha	Om Purushothamaaya Namaha
Om Madhusudanaaya Namaha	Om Adhokshajaaya Namaha
Om Trivikramaaya Namaha	Om Naarasimhayaa Namaha
Om Vaamanaaya Namaha	Om Achyuthaaya Namaha
Om Sridharaaya Namaha	Om Janardanaaya Namaha
Om Rishikesaaya Namaha	Om Upendraaya Namaha
Om Padmanaabhaaya Namaha	Om Haraye Namaha
Om Damodaraaya Namaha	Om SriKrishnaya Namaha

Bhuthocchatanam

Utthishtanthu Bhoothapisachaha Aethey Bhoomi Bhaarakaah

Aetheshaama Virodhena Brahmakarma Samaarabhe

(Put Akshataas (rice mixed with turmeric powder and ghee behind you) and then close the nose with your right hand and do praanaayamam)

Praanaayaamam

Om Bhoohu, Om Bhuvaha, Om Suvaha, Om Mahaha, Om Janaha, Om Tapaha, Om Satyam, Om Tatsavitur-Varenyam Bhargo Devasya Dheemahi, Dhiyoyonaha Prachodayaath, Om Aapo-Jyoteera-Somrutham Brahma Bhoorbhuvassuvarom

Mamopaattha Duritakshaya Dwaaraa Sree Parameswara Preetyartham, Subhe, Sobhana Muhurthe, Sree Mahaa-Vishno-Raagnayaa, Pravartha Maanasya, Aadya Brahmanaha, Dviteeya Paraarthe, Swetha Varaaha Kalpe, Vyvaswatha Manvanathare, Kaliyuge, Pradhamapaade, Jamboo Dweepe, Bharatha Varshe,Bharatha Khande, Meruha Dakshina Digbhaagae, Sreesailasya (say the direction of your town/place to Srisailam) Pradese, Krishna, Godavari Madhyabhaage (say the names of the closest rivers), Swa / Sobhana Gruhay, Samastha Devatha Braahmana, Harihara Gurucharana Sannidhou, Asmin Varthamaana Vyaavahaarika Chandramaanena SwastiSree Prabhavaadi Naama Samvathsara Madhya (say the current date with day, month and year) Samvathsarey, Ayaney, Ruthou, Masay, Pakshay, Thithou, Vaasaray, Subhanakshathrey, Subhayogey, Subhakarana Evamguna Viseshana Visistaayaam, Subhathithou, Sreemaan (say your name), Gothraha (say your gothram), Naamadheyaha, Dharmapathnee Sametasya,

Asmaakam Sahakutumbaanaam, Kshema, Sthyrya, Dhyrya, Vijaya, Aayur-aarogya, Aiswarya-Abhivridhyartham, Dharmaartha Kaamamoksha Chaturvidha Purushaartha Phala Siddhyartham Mamopaattha Duritakshaya Dwaaraa Sree Parameswara Preethyartham, Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Devathaa Muddisya, Sree Venkateswara Vrathakalpa Karishye...Dravyaih Sambhavadhbhihi Padaarthey Sambhavathaa Niyamena Yaavacchakthi Dhyaanaa Vaahanaadi Shodasopachaara Poojaam Karishye...(Touch the water)

Thadanga Kalasaaraadhanam Karishye

(One should not use same vessel that is used for Sankalpam and Achamanam for Kalasam. Take another glass for Kalasam. Fill the Kalasam glass with water (udakam)

Place the Kalasam to the right side of Swami, and put gandham, kumkum and akshathas, then place a flower in it and read the following sloka).

Kalasaraadhana

Kalasasya Mukhey Vishnuhu Kanthey Rudra Samaashrithaha |

Moole Thathra Sthitho Brahmaa Madhye Maatruganaa Srithaaha ||

Kukshouthu Saagara Sarvey Sapthadweepa Vasundharaa |

Rigvedo da Yajurveda Saamavedo hyadharvanaha ||

Angaischa Sahithaassarve Kalasaambu Samaasritaaha |

Kalase Gandha Pushpaakshataan Nikshiptya, Hasthenaacchadya||

Aapo Vaa Idagam Sarvam Viswaabhoothaanyaapaha Praanavaa Aapaha Pashava Aaponna

Maapomrutha Maapa Samraadaapo Viraadaapa Swaraadaapaschandaagam Syaapo Jyotheegm Syaapo Yajogmsyaapa Satyamaapa Sarvaa Devathaa Apobhoorbhuvassuva Raapa Om.

(Fill the Kalash with water and put tulasi leaves into it)

Gange Cha Yamune chaiva! Godavari! Saraswathi!

Narmade! Sindhu Kaaveri Jalesmin Sannidhim Kuru ||

Cauvery Tungabhadraacha Krishnavenee Cha Gowthamee

Bhaageerathee Cha Vikhyaathaa Panchagangaa Prakeerthitaaha

Kalasodakena Devamaatmaanam Poojadravyaani Cha Samprokshya

(Dip a flower in the kalash and sprinkle that water on the Lord, pooja samagri plate and on yourself)

Sree Ganapathi Praarthana

Suklaambaradharam Vishnum Sasivarnam Chathurbhujam |

Prasannavadanam Dhyaayeth Sarvavighnopasanthaye ||

Aadou Nirvighnena Vratha Parisamaapthayartham Ganapathi Poojam Karishye ||

Atha Ganapathi Pooja

Om! Ganaanaam Thwaa Ganapathigm Havaamahey |

Kavim kaveenaa mupamasravasthavam |

Jyeshtaraajam Brahmanaam Brahmanaspatha |

Aanassrunyannoothibhi Seedasaadanam ||

Sree Mahaaganaadhipathaye Namaha

Dhyaayaami, Dhyaanam Samarpayaami

Aavaahayaami, Rathna Simhaasanam Samarpayaami,

Paadayoh Paadyam Samarpayaami,

Hasthayo raraghyam Samarpayaami,

Mukhe Aachamaneeyam Samarpayaami ||

Aapohi shtaamayobhuvastana Oorjaedadhaatana, Maheeranaaya Chakshase

Yo Vassivatha Morasastasya Bhaajayathehanaha Ushatheerina Maataraha,

Thasmaa Aaram Gamaamavo Yasyakshayaaya Jinvadha, Apojanayadhachanaha

Sree Mahaaganaadhipataye Namaha-Snanam Samarpayami

Snaanantharam Suddha Aachamaneeyam Samarpayaami ||

Abhivastraasu Vasanaanyar Shaabhidaenoossu Dughaaha Poojamaanaha |

Abhichandraa Bharta Ve No Hiranyaabhyaswanrathinodeva Soma ||

Sree Mahaaganaadhipataye Namaha-Vastrayugmam Samarpayaami ||

Yagnopaveetham Paramam Pavithram Prajaapathe Ryathsahajam Purasthaath |

Aayushya Magryam Prathimuncha Subhram Yagnopaveetham Balamastu Tejaha ||

Sree Mahaaganaadhipataye Namaha-Yagnopaveetham Samarpayaami ||

Gandhadwaaraam Duraadharshaam Nityapushtaam Kareeshineem |

Eswareegm Sarvabhoothanaam Thaa Mihopahwaye Sriyam ||

Sree Mahaaganaadhipataye Namaha – Divya Sree Chandanam Samarpayaami ||

Aayanae They Paraayanae Durvaa Rohanthu Pushpineehi |

Hradaascha Pundareekaani Samudrasya Gruhaa Ime ||

Sree Mahaaganaadhipataye Namaha - Durvaadi Naana vidha Pushpaani Samarpayaami ||

Athasree Shodasanaama Pooja

Om Sumukhaaya Namaha	Om Ganaadhyakshaaya Namaha
Om Ekadanthaaya Namaha	Om Phaalachandraaya Namaha
Om Kapilaaya Namaha	Om Gajaananaaya Namaha
Om Gajakarnikaaya Namaha	Om Vakrathundaaya Namaha
Om Lambodaraaya Namaha	Om Soorpakarnaaya Namaha
Om Vikataaya Namaha	Om Haerambaaya Namaha
Om Vighnaraajaaya Namaha	Om Skanda Poorvajaaya Namaha
Om Ganaadhipathaye Namaha	Om Sarvasiddhi Pradaayakaaya Namaha
Om Dhoomakethave Namaha	Om Sree Mahaaganaadhipathaye Namaha

Naanaavidha Parimala Pushpaani Samarpayaami

Vanaspathyurbhavyrdivyai Naanaa Gandhyssu Samyuthaha |
Aaghreya Sarvadaevaanaam Dhoopoyam Prathigruhyathaam ||
Sree Mahaaganaadhipathaye Namaha – Dhoopamaaghramapayaami ||

Saajyam Thrivarthi Samyuktham Vahninaa Yojitham Priyam |
Gruhaana Mangalam Deepam Thrylokyathimiraavaham ||
Bhaktyaa deepam Prayacchaami Devaaya Paramaathmane |
Thraahi Maam Narakaadhghoraa Ddivyajyothi Namostuthe ||
Sree Mahaaganaadhipathaye Namaha - Deepam Samarpayaami,
Dhoopa Deepanantharam Aachamaneeyam Samarpayaami

Naivedyam

(Place a small piece of jaggery in a plate and sprinkle some water around it).
Om Bhoorbhuvassuvaha Om Tatsavitur-Varaenyam
Bhargo Daevasya Dheemahi, DhiyoYonahah Prachodayaat
Sathyam Thvarthena Parishinchaami

(When reading at night say, "Rutham Thwa Sathyena Parishinchaami")

Sree Maha Ganaadhipathaye Namaha - Gudopahaara Naivedhyam Samarpayaami

Amruthamasthu Amruthopastharanamasi

Om Praanaaya Svaahaa | Om Aapaanaaya Svaahaa
Om Vyaanaaya Svaahaa |Om Udaanaaya Svaahaa
Om Samaanaaya Svaahaa Madhye Madhye Paaneeyam Samarpayaami
Amrutaapidhaana masi Uttaraaposanam Samarpayaami
Hastou Prakshaalayaami, Suddhachamaneeyam Samarpayaami

Poogeephalai Sakarpoorai Naagavalleedalairyutham
Muktaa choorna Samaayuktham Thaamboolam Prathigruhyataam
Taamboolam Samarpayaami

Om Ganaanaam Thwa Ganapathigm Havaamahey
Kavim Kaveenaamupa Masravasthavam.
Jyeshtaraajam Brahmanaam Brahmanaspatha
Aanassrunyannoothibhi Seedasaadanam
Sree Mahaaganaadhipathaye Namaha – Suvarnamanthrapushpam
Samarpayaami

Mantraheenam Kriyaaheenam Bhaktiheenam Ganaadhipa,
Yathpoojitham Mayaa Deva Paripoornam Tadastuthe.

Punaraachanam

Anayaa Dhyaanaavaahanaadi Shodasopachara Poojayaa Cha
Bhagavan Sarvaatmakaha
Sree Mahaa Ganaadhipathi Supreetho Varado Bhoothva Uttharay
Karmanya
Avighnamasthvithi Bhavantho Bhruvanthu Utthare Karmanya
Avighnamasthu
Ganaadhipathi Prasaadam Sirasaa Gruhnaami

Sahasraparamaa Devi Sathamoolaa Sathaankuraa
Sarvagm Harathu May Paapam Doorvaadussvapna naasani
Ganapathim Yadhaasthaanamu Udvaasayaami

Praana Prathishta

Om Asuneethe Punarasmaasu Chakshuhu Punaha
Praanamihanodehi Bhogam Jyokpasyema
Sooryamuccharanta Manumathe Mrudayaana Svasthi
Amrutham Vy Praana Amruthamaapaha Praanaaneva
Yadhaasthaanamupahvayathe

(Touch the Lord's Idol or Picture)

Sree Venkateswara Swamy Aavaahayaami, Sthaapayaami,
Poojayaami Sthirobhava, Varadobhava Ssuprasannobhava,
Sthiraasanam Kuru

Dhyaanam

Saanthaakaaram Bhujagasayanam Padmanaabham Suresam
Viswaakaaram Gagana Sadrusam Meghavarnam Subhangam
Lakshmikaantham Kamalanayanam Yogihrudhyana Gamyam
Vande Vishnum Bhavabhayaharam Sarvalokaikanaatham
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
Dhyaayaami, Dhyaanam Samarpayaami
(Place a flower or Tulasi leaf near the Lord's Idol or Picture)

Aavavahanam

Aavaahayaami Devaesa Siddhagandharva Sevitha
Yadrahasyamidam Punyam Sarvapaapaharoharaha
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
Aavaahayaami
(Place a flower or tulasi leaf near the Lord's Idol or Picture)

Aasanam

Deva Deva Jagannadha Pranutha Klesanaasana
Rathna Simhaasanam Divyam Gruhaana Madhusudana
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
Rathna Simhaasanam Samarpayaami
(Place a flower or leaf near the Lord's Idol or Picture)

Paadyam

Vaanchitam Kurume Deva Dushkrutham Cha Vinaasaya
Paadyam Gruhaana Bhagavan Maathuruthsanga Samsthitha
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
Paadayo, Paadyam Samarpayaami
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Arghyam

Kurushwamae Dayaam Deva Samsaaraarthi Bhayaapaha
Dadhiksheera Phalopaetham Gruhaanaarghyam Namosthuthe
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Hasthayorarghyam Samarpayaami
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Aachamanam

Nama Sathyaaya Suddhaaya Nityaaya Gnyaanaroopine
Gruhaanaachamanam Deva Sarvalokaika Naayaka
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Mukhe Aachamaneeyam Samarpayaami
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Panchaamrutha Snaanam

Panchaamrutham Mayaaneetham Payodadhighrutham Madhu
Sarkaraa Samhitham Chaivadevathwam Prathigruhyathaam
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Panchaamrutha Snaanam Samarpayaami

(Panchaamrutham is made of cow milk, yogurt or curd, ghee, honey and sugar. Sprinkle a little on the idol or Lord's Photo)

Snaanam

Swarna Paatrodakam Ganga Yamunaadi Samanvitham
Suddhodakam Gruhaanaesa Snaanam Kuru Yadhaavidhi
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Sudhodaka snaanam Samarpayaami
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Vasthram

Thapthakaanchana Sankaasam Peethambara Midam Hare
Sugruhaana Jagannatha Sreenivasa Namosthuthe
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Vastrayugmam Samarpayaami
(Take a long piece of cotton and apply haldi and kumkum and offer to God)

Yagnopaveetham

Yagnopaveetham Paramam Pavithram
Prajapatheryathsahajam Purasthaath
Aayushyamagryam Prathimunchashubhram
Yagnopaveetham Balamasthu Tejaha
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Yagnopaveetham Samarpayaami

(Take two long pieces of cotton and apply haldi and kumkum and offer to God. Else offer a flower and say Yagnopaveethartham pushpam samarpayami)

Gandham

Chandanaagaru Kastoori Ghanasaara Samanvitham
Gandham Gruhaana Govinda Naanaagandhamschadhaaraya
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Divyaparimala Gandhaan Samarpayaami
(Offer sandal wood paste or chandan or gandham to the Lord)

Akshathaan

Govindaa Paramaananda Haridraa Sahithaakshathaan
Visweswara Visaalaaksha Gruhaana Parameswara
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Akshataan Samarpayaami
(Sprinkle akshataas i.e., rice mixed with turmeric powder and ghee)

Pushpam

Sugandheeni Supushpaani Jaajeekundamukhanicha
Maalathi Vakulaadeeni Poojartham Prathigruhyathaam
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Pushpam Samarpayaami

(Offer flowers to the Lord)

Athaanga Puja

(This is a Prayer to all *angaas* of Lord Venkateswara. Offer a flower, tulsi leaves or akshatha or while uttering each mantra)

Om Sri Venkateswaraya Namaha	-	Paadou Poojayaami
Om Sri Venkataachalaadheesaaya Namaha	-	Gulbou Poojayaami
Om Sri Pradaayakaaya Namaha	-	Jaanuni Poojayaami
Om Sri Padmavathi Pathaye Namaha	-	Janghe Poojayaami
Om Sri Gnana Pradaya Namaha	-	Urum Poojayaami
Om Sri Srinivaasaya Namaha	-	Katim Poojayaami
Om Sri Mahaa Bhaagaaya Namaha	-	Naabhim Poojayaami
Om Sri Nirmalaaya Namaha	-	Udaram Poojayaami
Om Sri Visala Hrudayaya Namaha	-	Hrudayam Poojayaami
Om Sri Parisudhaatmane Namaha	-	Sthanou Poojayaami
Om Sri Puroshottamaaya Namaha	-	Bhujou Poojayaami
Om Sri Swarna Hasthaaya Namaha	-	Hasthou Poojayaami
Om Sri Varapradaaya Namaha	-	Kantham Poojayaami
Om Sri Lokanadhaaya Namaha	-	Skandou Poojayaami
Om Sri Sarveswaraya Namaha	-	Mukham Poojayaami
Om Sri Rasagnaaya Namaha	-	Naasikaam Poojayaami
Om Sri Punya Sravana Kirtanaya Namaha	-	Srothre Poojayaami
Om Sri Pullaambuja Vilochanaaya Namaha	-	Nethre Poojayaami
Om Sri Varchasvine Namaha	-	Lalaatam Poojayaami
Om Sri Ramya Vigrahaaya Namaha	-	Sarvanyangaani Poojayaami

Om Sri Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sri Venkateswara Paramathmane Namaha
Divya Sundara Vigraham Poojayaami

Sri Venkateswara Ashtottara Sata Naamavali

Om Sri Venkatesaaya Namaha
Om Sreenivasaya Namaha
Om Lakshmipathaye Namaha
Om Anaamayaaya Namaha
Om Amruthaamsaaya Namaha
Om Jagadvamdyaaya Namaha
Om Govindaaya Namaha
Om Saasvathaaya Namaha
Om Prabhavae Namaha
Om Seshaadrinilayaaya Namaha
Om Deevaya Namaha
Om Kesavaaya Namaha
Om Madhusoodanaaya Namaha
Om Amruthaaya Namaha
Om Madhavaaya Namaha
Om Krishnaaya Namaha
Om Sriharayee Namaha
Om Gnaanapanjaraaya Namaha
Om Sree Vatsavakshase Namaha
Om Sarveesaaya Namaha
Om Gopalaaya Namaha
Om Purushottamaaya Namaha
Om Gopeeswaraya Namaha
Om Paramjyotishe Namaha
Om Vaikunthapathaye Namaha
Om Avyayaaya Namaha
Om Sudhaatanavee Namaha
Om Yaadavendraaya Namaha
Om Nithya Yauvana Roopavathe Namaha
Om Chatur Vedaatmakaaya Namaha
Om Vishnave Namaha
Om Achyuthaaya Namaha
Om Padmini Priyaaya Namaha
Om Dharaapathaye Namaha
Om Surapathaye Namaha
Om Nirmalaaya Namaha
Om Deva Poojithaaya Namaha
Om Chatur Bhujaaya Namaha
Om Chakra Dharaaya Namaha
Om Tridhamne Namaha
Om Trigunaa Srayaaya Namaha
Om Nirvikalpaaya Namaha
Om Nishkalankaaya Namaha
Om Niraanthakaaya Namaha
Om Niranjanaaya Namaha
Om Niraabhaasaaya Namaha
Om Nitya Truptaaya Namaha
Om Nirgunaaya Namaha
Om Nirupadravaya Namaha
Om Gadaadharaaya Namaha
Om Saarangapaanaye Namaha
Om Nandakine Namaha
Om Sankha Dhaarakaaya Namaha
Om Anekamurthaye Namaha
Om Avyaktaaya Namaha
Om Katihasthaaya Namaha
Om Varapradaaya Namaha
Om Anekaathmane Namaha
Om Deena Bandhave Namaha
Om Aartha Loka Bhaya Pradaaya Namaha

Om Aakasaraja Varadaaya Namaha
Om Yogi Hrutpadma Mandiraya Namaha
Om Daamodaraaya Namaha
Om Karunaa Karaaya Namaha
Om Jagathpaalaya Namaha
Om Papaaghnaaya Namaha
Om Bhaktha Vathsalaaya Namaha
Om Trivikramaaya Namaha
Om Simsumaaraya Namaha
Om Jatamakuta Sobhitaaya Namaha
Om Sankhaa Madhyollasanmanjoolaaya Namaha
Om Kinkinyadhya Karakandakaaya Namaha
Om Neela Megha Syaama Tanave Namaha
Om Bilva Patrarchana Priyaaya Namaha
Om Jagath Vyaapine Namaha
Om Jagath Karthre Namaha
Om Jagatsakshine Namaha
Om Jagath Pathaye Namaha
Om Chintitaartha Pradaaya Namaha
Om Jishnave Namaha
Om Daasaarhaaya Namaha
Om Dasa Roopavathe Namaha
Om Devaki Nandanaaya Namaha
Om Sauraye Namaha
Om Hayagreevaaya Namaha
Om Janardanaaya Namaha
Om Kanyaa Sravana Thaarejyaya Namaha
Om Peethambaradharaaya Namaha
Om Anaghaaya Namaha
Om Vanamaaline Namaha
Om Padmanaabhaaya Namaha
Om Mrugayaasakta Maanasaaya Namaha
Om Aswa Roodhaaya Namaha
Om Khadga Dhaarine Namaha
Om Dhanarjana Samutsukaaya Namaha
Om Ghanasaaralasanmadhya Kasturi Tilakojjwalaaya Namaha
Om Sachidaananda Roopaaya Namaha
Om Jaganmangala Daayakaaya Namaha
Om Yagna Roopaaya Namaha
Om Yagnabhokthre Namaha
Om Chinmayaaya Namaha
Om Parameswaraaya Namaha
Om Paramartha Pradaaya Namaha
Om Saanthaaya Namaha
Om Sreemathe Namaha
Om Dordanda Vikramaaya Namaha
Om Paraathparaaya Namaha
Om Parabrahmane Namaha
Om Sree Vibhave Namaha
Om Jagadeeswaraaya Namaha

Sri Maha Lakshmi Ashtothara Sata Naamavali

Om Prakruthyai Namaha
Om Vikruthyai Namaha
Om Vidyaayai Namaha
Om Sarwa Bhoothahitha Pradaayai Namaha
Om Sradhayai Namaha
Om Vibhutyai Namaha
Om Surabhyai Namaha
Om Paramaatmikaayai Namaha
Om Vaachyai Namaha
Om Padmaalayaayai Namaha
Om Padmaayai Namaha
Om Suchayai Namaha
Om Swahaayai Namaha
Om Swadhaayai Namaha
Om Sudhaayai Namaha
Om Dhanyaayai Namaha
Om Hiranmayai Namaha
Om Lakshmyai Namaha
Om Nithya Pushtaayai Namaha
Om Vibhaavaryai Namaha
Om Adityai Namaha
Om Dityai Namaha
Om Deeptaayai Namaha
Om Vasudhaayai Namaha
Om Vasudhaarinyai Namaha
Om Kamalaayai Namaha
Om Kaanthaayai Namaha
Om Kaamaakshyai Namaha
Om Krodha Sambhavaayai Namaha
Om Anugraha Pradaayai Namaha
Om Buddhaiyai Namaha
Om Anaghaayai Namaha
Om Hari Vallabhaaya Namaha
Om Asokaayai Namaha
Om Amruthaayai Namaha
Om Deepthaayai Namaha
Om Loka Soka Vinaasinyai Namaha
Om Dharma Nilayaayai Namaha
Om Karunaayai Namaha
Om Lokamaathre Namaha
Om Padma Priyaayai Namaha
Om Padma Hasthaayai Namaha
Om Padmakshyai Namaha
Om Padma Sundaryai Namaha
Om Padmodbhavaayai Namaha
Om Padma Mukhyai Namaha
Om Padmanaabha Priyaayai Namaha
Om Ramaayai Namaha
Om Padma Maalaadharaayai Namaha
Om Devyai Namaha
Om Padminyai Namaha
Om Padma Gandhinyai Namaha
Om Punya Gandhayai Namaha
Om Suprasannaayai Namaha
Om Prasaada Abhimukhyai Namaha
Om Prabhaayai Namaha
Om Chandra Vadanaayai Namaha
Om Chandraayai Namaha
Om Chandra Sahodaryai Namaha
Om Chaturbhujaayai Namaha

Om Chandra Roopaaya Namaha
Om Indiraayai Namaha
Om Indu Seethalaayai Namaha
Om Aahlaada Jananyai Namaha
Om Pushtyai Namaha
Om Sivaayai Namaha
Om Sivaakaryai Namaha
Om Satyai Namaha
Om Vimalaayai Namaha
Om Viswa Jananyai Namaha
Om Thushtyai Namaha
Om Daaridrya Naasinyai Namaha
Om Preethi Pushkarinyai Namaha
Om Saanthaayai Namaha
Om Suklamaalyambaraayai Namaha
Om Sriyai Namaha
Om Bhaskaryai Namaha
Om Bilva Nilayaayai Namaha
Om Vararohaayai Namaha
Om Yasasvinyai Namaha
Om Vasundharayai Namaha
Om Udaaraangayai Namaha
Om Harinyai Namaha
Om Hema Maalinyai Namaha
Om Dhana Dhaanyakaryai Namaha
Om Siddhayai Namaha
Om Sthrainasoumyaayai Namaha
Om Subha Pradaayai Namaha
Om Nrupa Vesmagathaanandaayai Namaha
Om Varalakshmai Namaha
Om Vasupradayai Namaha
Om Subhayai Namaha
Om Hiranya Praakaarayai Namaha
Om Samudratanayayai Namaha
Om Jayaayai Namaha
Om Mangaladevyai Namaha
Om Vishnu Vakshasthala Sthitaayai Namaha
Om Vishnupatnyai Namaha
Om Prasannaakshyai Namaha
Om Narayana Samaashritaayai Namaha
Om Daaridrya Dhvamsinyai Namaha
Om Devyai Namaha
Om Sarvopadrava Varinyai Namaha
Om Navadurgayai Namaha
Om Mahakalyai Namaha
Om Bramhavishnu Sivatmikayai Namaha
Om Thrikaalagnaana Sampannayai Namaha
Om Bhuwaneswaryai Namaha

Sri Padmavathi Ashtothara Satanaamavali

Om Padmavatyai Namaha
Om Devyai Namaha
Om Padmodbhavaayai Namaha
Om Karuna Pradaayinyai Namaha
Om Sahrudayaayai Namaha
Om Theja Swarupinyai Namaha
Om Kamalamukhai Namaha
Om Padmadharaaya Namaha
Om Sriyai Namaha
Om Padma Nethre Namaha
Om Padmakaraaye Namaha
Om Sugunaayai Namaha
Om Kumkuma Priyaayai Namaha
Om Hema Varnaayai Namaha
Om Chandravanditaayai Namaha
Om Dhagadhaga Prakasa Sarira Dhaarinai Namaha
Om Vishnu Priyayai Namaha
Om Nithya Kalyanyai Namaha
Om Koti Surya Prakasinyai Namaha
Om Mahaa Soundarya Roopinyai Namaha
Om Bhakthavathsaalayai Namaha
Om Bramhandavaasinyai Namaha
Om Sarva Vaanchaphala Daayinyai Namaha
Om Dharma Sankalpayai Namaha
Om Daakshinya Katakshinyai Namaha
Om Bhakti Pradaainyai Namaha
Om Gunathraya Vivarjithaayai Namaha
Om Kalashodasa Samyuthaayai Namaha
Om Sarvalokaanamjananyai Namaha
Om Mukthi Daayinyai Namaha
Om Dayaamruthaayaayai Namaha
Om Praagyayai Namaha
Om Mahaa Dharmaayai Namaha
Om Dharma Roopinyai Namaha
Om Alankara Priyaayai Namaha
Om Sarva Daaridra Dhwansinyai Namaha
Om Sri Venkatesavakshasthala Sthitayai Namaha
Om Loka Soka Vinasinyai Namaha
Om Vaishnavyai Namaha
Om Thiruchanurupura Vaasinyai Namaha
Om Vedavedya Visaaradayai Namaha
Om Vishnu Paada Sevithaayai Namaha
Om Rathna Prakaasa Kiritadhaarinyai Namaha
Om Jagan Mohinyai Namaha
Om Sakthi Swarupinyai Namaha
Om Prasannodayaayai Namaha
Om Indraadi Daivatha Yakshakinnera Kimpurusha Pujithaayai Namaha
Om Sarvaloka Nivaasinyai Namaha
Om Bhoojayayai Namaha
Om Aiswarya Pradaayinyai Namaha
Om Saanthaayai Namaha
Om Unnatha Sthaana Sthithayai Namaha
Om Mandaara Kaaminyai Namaha
Om Kamalaa Karaayai Namaha
Om Vedantha Gynanarupinyai Namaha
Om Sarvasampathi Roopinyai Namaha
Om Koti Surya Samaprabhaayai Namaha
Om Pooja Phaladaayinyai Namaha
Om Kamalaasanadi Sarva Devathayai Namaha

Om Vaikuntha Vaasinyai Namaha
Om Abhaya Daayinyai Namaha
Om Draakshaa Phala Paayasa Priyaayai Namaha
Om Nruthya Geetha Priyaayai Namaha
Om Ksheera Saagarodhbhavaayai Namaha
Om Aakasa Raja Putrikaayai Namaha
Om Suvarna Hastha Dhaarinyai Namaha
Om Kaama Roopinyai Namaha
Om Karunaa Kataakshadhaarinyai Namaha
Om Amruthasujaayai Namaha
Om Bhooloka Swarga Sukha Daayinyai Namaha
Om Ashtadikpaalaka Adhipathyai Namaha
Om Manmadhadarpa Samhaaryai Namaha
Om Kamalaardha Bhaagaayai Namaha
Om Swalpaparadhamahaaparaadha kshamaayai Namaha
Om Shatkoti Tirtha Vaasithaayai Namaha
Om Naaradaadi Munisreshta Poojithaayai Namaha
Om Adisankara Poojithayai Namaha
Om Preethi Daayinyai Namaha
Om Soubhaagya Pradaayinyai Namaha
Om Maha Keerthi Pradayinai Namaha
Om Krishnaathi Priyaayai Namaha
Om Gandharva Saapa Vimochakaaayai Namaha
Om Krishna Pathnyai Namaha
Om Jagan Mohinyai Namaha
Om Sulabhaayai Namaha
Om Suseelayai Namaha
Om Anjanaasutha Anugraha Pradaayinyai Namaha
Om Bhaktyatma Nivaasinyai Namaha
Om Sandhyaa Vandinyai Namaha
Om Sarvaloka Maathre Namaha
Om Abhimatha Daayinyai Namaha
Om Lalitha Vadhutyai Namaha
Om Samastha Sastra Visaaradaayai Namaha
Om Suvarna Aabharana Dhaarinyai Namaha
Om Ihapara Loka Sukha Pradaainy Namaha
Om Karaveera Nivasinyai Namaha
Om Naagaloka Mani Sahaa Akasaisindhu Kamaleswara Poorithaa Dhaga Dhaga Manaayai Namaha
Om Sri Srinivasa Priyaayai Namaha
Om Chandra Mandala Stithaayai Namaha
Om Alivelu Mangaayai Namaha
Om Divyamangala Dhaarinyai Namaha
Om Sukalyana Peethasthithaayai Namaha
Om Kaamakavana Pushpa Priyayai Namah
Om Koti Manmadha Roopinyai Namaha
Om Bhaanu Mandala Roopinyai Namaha
Om Padma Paadaayai Namaha
Om Ramaayai Namaha
Om Sarva Loka Sabhaanthara Dhaarinyai Namaha
Om Sarva Maanasa Vaasinyai Namaha
Om Sarvaayai Namaha
Om Viswa Roopayai Namaha
Om Divya Gnaanaayai Namaha
Om Sarva Mangala Roopinyai Namaha
Om Sarva Anugraha Pradaayinyai Namaha
Om Omkara Swaroopinyai Namaha
Om Brahma Gnaana Sambhutaayai Namaha
Om Sri Padmavathyai Namaha
Om Sadyo Vedavathyai Namaha
Om Sri Maha Lakshmyai Namaha

Dhupam

Dasaangam Guggulopaetham Goghruthaena Samanvitham
Dhoopam Gruhaana Devaesa Sarvaloka Namaskaraa
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha Dhoopamaaghraapayaami
(Offer agarbathi)

Deepam

Trilokesa Mahaadeva Sarvagnaana Pradaayaka
Deepam Daasyaami Devaesa Rakshamaam Bhakthavathsala
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Deepam Darsayaami
(Offer the deepam)

Naivedhyam

Sarvabhakshyscha Bhojjyscha Rasaishaddhbi Samanvitham
Naivedyanthu Mayaaneetham Gruhaana Purushotthama
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Naivedyam Samarpayaami

(Offer Naivedyam by saying these words. If you're offering a banana say "Kadaleephalam", for coconut say "Naarikela Phalam Nivedayaami" , for jaggery "Gudopahaara Naivedyam Samarapayaami")

Om Praanaaya Svaahaa, Om Apaanaaya Svaahaa, Om Vyaanaaya Svaahaa,
Om Udanaaya Svaahaa, Om Samaanaaya Svaahaa, Om Parabrahmane Svaahaa
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Om Bhoorbhuvassuvaha Tatsavitur-Varaenyam Bhargo Daevasya Dheemahi,
Dhiyoyonahah Prachodayaath, Omaapo Jyotheeraapo Mrutham Brahma Bhoorbhuvassuvarom Madhye Madhye Paaneeyam Samarpayaami
(Take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)

Amrutaapidhaanamasi, Uttaraaposanam Samarpayaami,
Hastou Prakshaalayaami, Paadou Prakshaalayaami,
Punaraachamaneeyam Samarpayaami

Thaamboolam

Poogheephalai Sakarpoorai Naagavallee Dalayryutham
Muktaachoorna Samaayuktham Thaamboolam Prathigruhyataam
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Taamboolam Samarpayaami

Neeraajanam

Sriyah Kanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinam
Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivasaya Mangalam
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine Namaha
Neeranjanam Darsayaami (Show karpuram and take a spoon of water and pour it in a plate)
Niranjana Anataram Punaraachamaneeyam Samarpayaami

Manthrapushpam

Om Sahasra Seersham Daevam Viswaaksham Viswasambhuvam
Vishwam Naaraayanam Deva Maksharam Paramam Padam
Viswathaha Paramaa Nnithyam Viswam Narayanagum Harim
Vishwamevedam Purushasthadvisva Mupajeevathi
Pathim Viswasyaathmesvaragum Saaswathagum Siva Machyutam

Narayanam Mahaajgneyam Viswathmaanam Parayanam
Narayana Parojyothi Raathmaa Narayanaha Paraha
Narayana Param Brahma Tatvam Narayanaha Paraha
Narayana Paro Dhyaataa Dhyaanam Narayanaha Paraha

Yaccha kinchi Jjagathsarvam Drusyate Srooyate pivaa
Antharbhahischa Tatsarvam Vyaapya Narayana Sthithaha
Anantamavyayam kavigum Samudrentam Viswa Sambhuvam
Padmakosa Pratheekaasagum Hrudayam Chaapyadhomukham

Adho Nishtyaa Vithasthyaante Naabhyaa Mupari Thishtathi
Jwaalaamaalaakulam Bhaati Viswasyaayathanam Mahath
Santhatagum Silaabhistu Lambathyaakosasannibham
Tasyaantae Susiragum Sookshmam Tasmin Sarvam Prathishtitham

Tasya Madhye Mahaanagnir Viswaarchir Vishvatho Mukhaha
Sograbhu gvibhajanthishta Nnaahaara Majaraha Kavihi
Tiryagoordhva Madhassaayee Rasmaya Stasya Santataa
Santaapayathi Svam Deha Maapaadathala Mastakaha

Tasya Madhye Vahni Sikha Aneeyordhvaa Vyavasthithaha
Neelatho Yada madhyasthaa Dvidyullekhaeva Bhaasvaraa
Neevaarasookavatthanvee Peethabhaa Sthyanoopamaa
Tasyaa Sshikhaayaa Madhye Paramaatmaa Vyavasthithaha

Sa Brahma Sa Siva Sahari Sendra Ssoksharaha Paramasvaraat
Ruthagam Satyamparam Brahma Purusham Krishna Pingalam
Urdharetham Virupaksham Viswa Roopaya Vai Namo Namaha
Om Narayanaya Vidmahe Vasudevaya Dheemahi Thanno Vishnu Prochodhayath

Raajadhiraajaaya Prasahya Saahine Namo Vayamvay Sravanaaya Kurmahe
Nameka Maankamakaamaaya Mahyam Kaameswaro Vai Sravano Dadhaathu
Kuberaaya Vai Sravanaya Maharajaaya Namaha

Om Tadbrahma, Om Tadvaayuhu, Om Tadaatmaaha,
Om Tatsatyam, Om Tatsarvam, Om Tathpuro Namaha
Antascharathi Bhootheshu Guhaayaam Viswamoorthishu
Tvam Yagnastvam Vashatkaarsthwagam Indrastvam Rudrastvam
Vishnustvam Brahmastvam Prajaapathihi

Tvam Tadaapa Apo Jyothee Rasomrutham
Brahma Bhoorbhuvassuvarom
Gadaa Punassankaradhakalpaka Dhvajaaravindaakusa
Vajralaaschita
Hey Srinivasaa Tvacharanaambuja Dwayam Madeeya Moordhana
Malaja
Om Niranjanaaya Vidmahae
Niraabhaasaaya Dhimahi
Tanno Srinivasaha Prachodayaat

Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
Suvarna Manthrapushpam Samarpayaami

Pradakshina Namaskaaram

Yaanikaani Cha Paapaani Janmaantara Krutaani Cha
Taani Taani Pranasyanti Pradakshina Padhe Padhe ||
Paapoham Paapakarmaaham Paapaatmaa Paapasambhavaha
Traahimaam Krupamayaa Deva Saranagathavathsala ||
Anyadha Saranam Naasthi Thvameva Saranam Mama
Tasmatkaarunya Bhaavena Raksha Raksha Janardana ||

Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamine
Namaha
AatmaPradakshina Namaskaraam Samarpayaami
(Perform 3 self Pradakshinas and then bow (Saashtaang namskaar)
to the Lord)

Vividhopachaara Pooja

Chatram Dhaarayaami | Chaamaram Veechayaami ||
Nrityam Darsayaami | Geetham Sraavayaami ||
Vaadyam Ghoshayaami | Aandolikaan Aarohayaami||
Ashwaanaa Rohayaami | Gajaanaa Rohayaami ||
Samastha Rajopachara, Saktyopachara, Mantropachara,
Devopachara, Sarvopachara Poojam Samarpayaami ||

Kshamaarpanam
(Read after the vratham)

Manthraheenam Kriyaaheenam Bhaktiheenam Janaardana
Yathpoojitham Mayaa Deva Paripoornam Tadasthuthe
(Perform namaskaar)

Anayaa Dhyaanaa Vaahanaadi Shodasopachara Poojayaa Cha
Bhagavan Sarvaatmakaha
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sri Venkateswara Swarupo
Bhagavan Supreetha Suprasanno Varado Bhavatu.
Sree Venkateswara Deva Prasadam Sirasaa Gruhnaami.

Take Theertham

Akaala Mrutyuharanam Sarvavyaadhi Nivaaranam
Sarva Paapakshayakaram Deva Paadodakam Paavanam Subham

(Drink theertham)

Naivedyam

Om Bhoorbhuvasuvaha, Om Tatsaviturvarenyam Bhargo Devasya
Dheemahi
Dhiyo yonaha Prachodayaath, Sathyamthvarthena Parishinchaami,
Amruthamasthu Amrutho pastaranamasi,
Om Praanaaya Svaaha, Om Apaanaaya Svaaha, Om Vyaanaaya
Svaaha,
Om Udaanaaya Svaaha, Om Samaanaaya Svaaha, Om Brahmane
Svaaha,
Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swaminey
Namaha
Mahaa Naivedyam Samarpayaami

Amrutaapi Dhaanamasi Uttaraa posanam Samarpayaami,
Hastou Prakshalayaami, Paadou Prakshalayaami,
Suddha Aachamaneeyam Samarpayaami.

Taamboolam Samarpayaami, Suvarna Mantrapushpam Samarpayaami,
Pradhakshina Namaskaaran Samarpayaami,
Anayaadhyaanaa Vaahanaadi Shodashopachara Poojayaa Bhagavan Sarvaatmakaha

Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Venkateswara Swami Supreetha Suprasanno Varado Bhavathu,

Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Venkateswara Swamy Prasadam Sirasaa Gruhnaami

Udvaasanam

Yagnena Yagna Mayajanta Devaaha thaani Dharmaani Prathamaa nyaasan
Thehanaakam Mahimaanassachante Yatra Poorve Saadhyaassanti Devaaha

Sree Lakshmi Padmavathi Sametha Sree Venkateswara Swamy Yadhaastaanam Udvaasayaami

SRI VENKATESWARA VRATHA KALPAM

First Chapter

Sri Bhagawan Uvaacha

(Blessed by Lord Srimannarayana Himself)

Once upon a time on an auspicious day, at Tirumala, the Bhooloka Vaikuntha, Lord Sri Venkateswara, also known as Srinivasa, the Kaliyuga Avatara of Lord Sriman Narayana, blessed a devotee by name ' Viswapathi ' to write and popularize 'Sri Venkateswara Vratham' under His aegis.

In the words of Lord, "Oh My dear devotee Viswapathi! I am going to describe a special Vratham to you.This Vratham is very dear to me. It is very easy to perform.

People born in this Kaliyuga are facing great difficulties as a result of their previous births' as well as this birth's karmas. Among these people, some of my devotees pray to me to relieve them of their hardships. They undertake all kinds of travails to reach Tirumala to seek My Darsan.

I love My devotees very much. I take every such devotee into My fold who completely surrenders himself/herself unto Me and follows the path of Dharma in his/her life.

The Vratham that I am about to describe to you shall become popular as ' Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam '. This Vratham is very dear to Me. Whosoever performs this Vratham with faith and devotion would immediately get rid of all of his/her miseries. This Vratham can be performed by anyone and everyone at any place. Performing during the auspicious months of Margasira, Magha, Karthika months of Hindu Lunar Calendar or the Tithis of Poornima, Panchami, Sapthami, Ekadasi or the days with Sravana, Swati nakshatras would give maximum and immediate results. The result and outcome would be manifold.

I am very much aware of the various adversities faced by My devotees in this Kaliyuga. To overcome these difficulties, be they financial, career, health or business or even to secure mental peace one can perform this Vratham. One can also perform this Vratham before any auspicious function in their homes like marriages, house warming etc.The function will go on smoothly without any hurdles by performing this powerful Vratham. They would be blessed with prosperity and happiness.

One can perform Sri Venkateswara Vratham either in the morning or evening.The Vratam contains five chapters. All the chapters have to be read with with utmost devotion. One can perform the Vratham at their own house or rented premises or in a temple or at any holy place or even on the banks of any river.

It is advisable to invite your friends and relatives for this Vratham. This Vratham shall bestow good health, happiness, prosperity to devotees who perform the Vratham and to those who attend and take the prasadam. In the olden days, many Maharshis who were My very dear devotees, performed this Vratham and had obtained My Divine Grace. People in Kaliyug who perform the Vratham with full faith and devotion would surely be blessed with prosperity and happiness. If one performs this Vratham with total concentration the results would be optimum.

This Vratham is very easy to perform. I know your difficulties and limitations in this Kaliyug. The benefit of performing this Vratham would be equivalent to that of performing penance, or a big Yagna or Yaga of the earlier Yugas.

Before starting the Vratham, one has to thoroughly clean the area chosen to perform the Vratham. Arrange a mantapam and install

My photo along with My Consorts (Sridevi and Bhoodevi). If one can not get such a photo, one can keep a photo of Mine alone too.The mantapam can be arranged against a wall. One can also keep photos of other Gods/Goddesses of their choice. Meditate upon all the Navagrahas and Ashta Dikpaalakas or invoke them at the beginning of the puja. Or pray to them in one's mind for the successful completion of the Vratham.

Pray and worship Lord Ganesha (made from turmeric) at the onset of puja. After that, read all the five chapters associated with the Vratham. This is the first chapter. The other four chapters would be dictated virtually by great Sages Vishwamitra, Vasishta, Bharadwaja and Atri who are very dear to Me. After the completion of the five chapters one can read My stotrams that are dear to Me. After completion of each chapter devotees have to chant govinda naamam thrice – Govinda ! Govinda ! Govinda !

One can also perform this Vratham in a simpler way. I understand the limitations of people in Kaliyuga. That is why I am telling you a much easier way. Devotees who cannot afford to do it in an elaborate way can do it all alone by meditating upon Me by keeping My photo. Meditate on Lord Ganesha, Navagrahas, Ashta Dikpalakas (just close eyes and pray all those gods for a while).Then devotees can just read the five stories, and offer any fruit or or sugar, jaggery or any sweet as 'Naivedya' to Me and then take it as My prasadam. Performing in a simple way also would lead to fulfilling of one's wish. All the miseries would be resolved. One would be blessed with prosperity.

I personally, shall come in some form or other to take the prasadam Myself wherever this Vratam is being performed with full faith and devotion. My blessings would always be there with the devotees."

In this manner, Bhagawan Himself, described the process of Sri Venkateswara Vratham to a devotee named ' Timmaraju Viswapathi Ramakrishna Murthy (Viswapathi) ' . He blessed this powerful Vratam procedure to His dear devotee Viswapathi on Tirumala, His favourite abode.

We, the people born in Kaliyuga, should perform this Vratham whenever possible, to seek the Divine Blessings of Lord Sri Venkateswara. We shall not only overcome all our troubles after performing the Vratham but would also live peacefully throughout our lives.

Govinda...Govinda...Govinda

End of first chapter

Sriyah Kaanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinaam

Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

Second Chapter

Sri Viswamitra Uvaacha

(Blessed by Sage Viswamitra)

This chapter is blessed to us by one of the greatest sages Brahmarshi Vishwamitra.

In the words of the Maharshi Viswamitra himself, " Dear people of Kaliyuga! Beloved devotees of Srinivasa! 'Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam', which is being performed by you all is Divine and highly sacred. It is very powerful! It is easiest of means to obtain Lord Srinivasa's mercy in this Kaliyuga. During the olden days, innumerable people, performed this sacred Vratham and obtained Sri Srinivasa's blessings for fulfilment of their wishes. Let us all bow to Lord Sri Venkateswara Swamy for blessing us with such a simple and easy to perform Vratham."

Saying so Sri Viswamitra continued...

'Long ago, there lived a beloved devotee of Sri Venkateswara Swamy in the kingdom of Magadha by name Vishnuchittha. He had nine daughters. Though he was a great scholar, he lived in extreme poverty. His wife, Thaaraamathi was always engrossed in prayer and devotion to Lord Srimannarayana.

At times, Vishnuchittha earned a meagre sum of money as a purohit at weddings and with great difficulty, the couple could provide two meals a day for the entire family. All the daughters grew to marriageable age. Thaaraamathi, their mother, was always worried about their marriage. She, however, continued to pray to Lord Srinivasa and days passed by.

Dear devotees of Srinivasa! As we all know, Lord Srinivasa always protects His devotees who surrender themselves to Him. On the auspicious day of Magha Pournami, early in the morning, an old Brahmin knocked on the door of Vishnuchittha's house. He said 'Oh Brahmin! I am coming from Vanga Kingdom. I am going to participate in a Yaaga at a different city and happened to pass through your kingdom.. Could you kindly allow me to stay at your house for the night? I would leave early in the morning'. Vishnuchittha readily agreed to the Old Brahmin's wish and said 'Swamy! I am very fortunate! As per the Puranas, a guest has to be considered as the Lord Srimannarayana Himself. Kindly stay at our house without any hestitation'. Saying so, he took the old Brahmin inside his house and followed the customary way of treating any guest.

In the afternoon, after having food, the old Brahmin addressed Thaaraamathi and asked 'Mother! Why are you looking worried? What is your problem? Don't hestitate to tell me'. Thaaraamathi replied 'Swamy! You appear to be a very devout person. Your divinity is equivalent to that of Lord Sri Venkateswara. Why should I hestitate? I am deeply worried about my daughters' marriages'. Hearing her words , the old Brahmin smiled and said 'Mother! I understand your pain. I will tell you a miraculous Vratham which will help you overcome all your problems. As soon as you perform the Vratham all your troubles would vanish. Sri Venkateswara Vratham is very easy to perform'. Saying so he explained the Sri Venkateswara Vratam procedure to the couple.

Vishnuchittha with excitement said ' Swamy! I am very happy. What more blessing can we ask for? Why should we wait for more time? There is a saying, that all good deeds should be done at the earliest. Today is Maagha Poornima, very auspicious day. We will

perform the Sri Venkateswara Vratham that you explained today itself.' Saying so, Vishnuchittha and Thaaraamathi along with their daughters made all the arrangements and invited all their near and dear ones and performed the Vratham in the evening with utmost faith and devotion. All the invitees who attended the Vratham took the Prasadam and left for their homes. Vishnuchittha and Thaaraamathi prostrated at the Old Brahmin's feet and sought his blessings. The old Brahmin also took the teertham and prasadam and blessed them saying ' May all your wishes would be fulfilled. May Lord Srinivasa and Goddess Lakshmi bless you!'

As it was night, and time to sleep, Vishnuchittha sadly handed over a torn old blanket to the Old Brahmin and pleaded, " Swamy! As I am a poor man, I'm unable to provide a better blanket to you. Please forgive me and make do with this one for the night."

The Brahmin smiled and asked Vishnuchittha not to worry. He said that he would sleep on the verandah of the house. Soon everyone fell asleep.

Just before the break of dawn, way past after midnight, there was heavy rain accompanied by thunder and lightning. It was fully dark and nothing was visible. Vishnuchittha was worried about the old Brahmin's condition. But was helpless as it was completely dark and he couldn't see anything. He along with his family anxiously waited for the break of dawn. By morning, the heavy rain stopped and gave way to light showers.

The family rushed out to see the condition of the old Brahmin but were in for a surprise! There was no sight of the old Brahmin there. Instead of the torn blanket, a yellow silk garment with an Idol of smiling Lord Sri Venkateswara was found there. The couple then

understood that it was none other than the Lord Srimannarayana Himself who had come in the Brahmin's guise. They thought ' It is indeed our good fortune, but we could not recognise Him. We offered a torn blanket to the Lord'. With all these thoughts, they carried the Lord's Idol inside the house with great joy. What they found there, made them speechless...Their house was transformed into a treasure trove of gold! Stacks of gold and money were all over the place! They realized the power of performing Sri Venkateswara Swamy Vratha Kalpam and praised the Lord in many ways.'

Sage Viswamitra concluded by saying ' See! The Lord Himself came in the guise of a guest. He not only explained the process of the Vratham but also ate the prasadam. Lord Sri Venkateswara is very kind hearted. Lord will definitely visit His devotees in some form or other if they conduct the Vratham with devotion and faith. All of you too perform the Vratham to receive the Lord's blessings. Sri Lakshmi Srinivasa Kataaksha Siddhirasthu'

Govinda...Govinda...Govinda

End of second chapter

Sriyah Kaanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinaam

Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

Third Chapter

Sri Vasishta Uvaacha

(Blessed by Sage Vasishta)

With the Grace of Supreme Lord Srimannarayana, the great Sage Brahmarshi Vasishta blessed us the the third chapter of the powerful and sacred Sri Venkateswara Vratam.

Maharshi Vasishta spoke thus... "Dear people of Kaliyuga! Beloved devotees of Lord Srinivasa!... Lord Sri Venkateswara Swamy, the presiding deity in Sacred Tirumala Hills in Bhooloka is none other than Lord Srimannarayana of Vaikuntha Himself. The Supeme Lord Himself, descended on Tirumala hills, to be nearer to all mankind as Lord Srinivasa, to help all His devotees overcome the difficulties in their lives. Performing Sri Venkateswara Vratham is the easiest way of getting blessed with the Lord's enormous grace. Those who perform the Vratham with full faith and devotion would be blessed with ample wealth and prosperity.They will be blessed with all the best things in life."

Maharshi Vasishta continued further..."Long ago, there was a town called 'Bhagyanagaram' in the kingdom of Avanti. As the name suggests, most of the people in the town were very rich and were very proud of their wealth.

Because of their egos, they looked down upon the deprived and poor. They always thought that they amassed such wealth solely by their greatness. They never prayed to God either on normal days, or even on auspicious days. Lord Srimannarayana wanted to teach a lesson to these highly egoistic people.

One day all the wealthy people were partying and enjoying life. No one even lighted a lamp in the temple of Sri Lakshmi Narayana, situated in the eastern street of the town. That day is known as *Tholi Ekadasai* , the first Ekadasi, a very auspicious day. The rich people were busy enjoying the party. None in the town thought of doing any puja in the temple. In the evening, suddenly, black clouds started engulfing the town followed by heavy downpour. The houses of the rich were flooded with water. It was pitch dark and by the next morning, the town drowned in water. All the houses and shops were washed away. The rich lost everything and were left only with the clothes on their bodies. Why this sudden calamity? Why such a deluge? No one understood the reason for such a devastation. And then they noticed something very strange...All the huts on the outskirts of the town were intact!. They were shocked and couldn't believe their eyes. How come the huts survived the storm? As they stood puzzled, there was a lightning.

They heard a Divine voice from the skies saying ' You Fools! You have faced the consequences of your conceited nature. You are all arrogant and always gave credit to yourselves for your prosperity and this is the result of it. There is one great devotee of Mine by name Devayya in one of those huts. The poor man, Devayya, undertook the duty of lighting the lamp in the temple of your town every day. In addition, on every Ekadasi, Devayya performs Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam within his means. As a result, Devayya and his neighbourhood remained safe and were not affected at all by the thunderstorm. If all of you perform the Vratham, you will get back your lost wealth and prosperity.'

Soon after hearing the Divine voice, all of them rushed to the temple. Together they made arrangements for the puja and performed

the Vratham collectively. Later on, they found their homes and wealth safe and secure as before. Thereafter, the entire clan of businessmen in that town religiously performed Sri Venkateswara Vratham on every Ekadasi. They continued to live happily for the rest of their lives and attained Moksha in the end.'

Sri Vasishta Muni thus completed the third story.

Govinda...Govinda...Govinda

End of third chapter

Sriyah Kaanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinaam

Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

Fourth Chapter

Sri Bharadwaaja Uvaacha

(Blessed by Sage Bharadwaja)

The fourth chapter of Sri Venkateswara Vrata Kalpam which is very dear to Srimannarayana has been narrated by the great Bharadwaaja Maharshi.

In Bharadwaaja Maharshi's words, "Dear people of Kaliyuga! Beloved devotees of Srimannarayana! Sri Venkateswara Vratham that you are performing is an amazing Vratham. It is the easiest way to fulfill all your wishes. To appease Lord Venkateswara, this is the most easiet way. In this Kaliyuga, Lord Srimnaarayana Has descended on Tirumala hills as Sri Srinivasa to bless His devotees. One can set foot on Tirumala and have Swamy's darsan only as a result of one's good karma of several previous births. One gets the thought of performing Sri Venkateswara Vratham only because of blessings of good deeds done in several earlier births. Else one would not be able to perform this Vratham. One who performs, one who listens to the stories and the one who atleast partake Srivari prasadam would experience His immense grace and His innumerable blessings.

Once upon a time, there lived a trader named Dhanagupta in Nagari village. He was a miser. No matter how prosperous he became, he remained a miser. He was highly egoistic and felt it his own greatness that he amassed such great wealth. Is it not true that even the mighty fall down one day due to their ego?

Dhanagupta's wife, Kanthimathi was a very devout woman. The couple had three daughters. The youngest daughter Kumari was an ardent devotee of Lord Srinivasa and would always chant His name.

Without her fathers' knowledge, she frequently visited the temple of Lord Venkateswara to have His Darsan. The entire family would eat the Prasadam except her father. Kanthimathi was always worried about her husband's attitude.

One day, Kumari went to her friend's house as they were performing Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam. It was mid-afternoon by the time the Vratham was completed. She took the Prasadam, packed a small amount of the Prasadam for her family and left for her house. As it was very hot, Kumari felt very thirsty on her way home. She remembered that her father's shop was close by and went there to quench her thirst. She however, did not tell her father about the Vratham as she was afraid that he would scold her. After drinking water, she hurriedly, left the shop and in her hurry, she forgot the packet of Prasadam at the shop itself.

Suddenly there was chaos and confusion around the market. There was a big fire and out of fear, people ran here and there screaming loudly. Owing to the severe heat and dry storm, almost all the shops in that area were gutted in the fire. Dhanagupta was completely shaken and thought his shop also would be destroyed. Everyone ran out of the shop, but he remained inside. He knew very well that he might die, if he stayed inside and his hands shook out of fear.

He didn't feel like leaving the shop and going outside. But he knew that he if stays for a few more minutes he would burnt alive In that anxiety he felt some packet touching his hands. Without a second thought, he opened the packet and put the contents of the packet into his mouth and it tasted sweet. Somehow he felt calm and relaxed too.

A miracle happened at that instant! The fire stopped at the adjacent shop of Dhanagupta. Not even a small spark fell on his shop.

He was utterly amazed and dumbfounded!. He thought ' What a wonder! What an incredible thing? How did it happen?'

Meanwhile, word spread around the town about the fire in the market, and in no time, Dhanagupta's family rushed to the spot out of fear. Praying to Sri Venakateswara they reached the shop. They were very surprised to see that the fire had stopped just few yards before their shop and that it had gutted all other shops. Then Kumari recollected that she left Sri Venkateswara Vratam Prasadam packet unknowingly when she came to the shop in the afternoon to have a glass of water.. Dhanagupta realized what he ate in anxiety was nothing else but Lord's prasadam. Kumari told her parents that she attended Sri Venkateswara Vratam in her friend's house and the packet is nothing other than holiest Prasadam of Sri Venkateswara Vratam. Dhanagupta realized that because he ate Lord's Prasadam he and his shop were saved from destruction.

He begged the Lord to forgive him. The same evening, he invited everyone in the village and with lot of devotion performed Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam. From then on he turned a great devotee of the Lord and spent the rest of his life in service of Swamy and ultimately attained moksha.

See how one was saved from a big catastrophe by just consuming the Prasadam, that too without knowing it is Lord's sacred prasadam. Sri Venkateswara Vratham is so powerful. Whenever feasible, all of you should perform Sri Venkateswara Vratham and get Lord Sri Srinivasa's blessings.'

Saying so, Maharshi Bharadwaaja concluded the fourth chapter.

Govinda...Govinda...Govinda
End of fourth chapter
Sriyah Kaanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinaam
Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

Fifth Chapter
Sri Athri Uvaacha
(Blessed by Maharshi Athri)

Tirumala Tirupati is the Bhooloka Vaikuntha. According to the Puranas, there is no place in this Universe that is as sacred as Tirumala. There is no other Supreme Lord equal to Sri Venkateswara Swamy either in the past or in the present or will in the future. Srimannarayana, who descended on the sacred Tirumala Hills as Srinivasa loves His devotees very much. He takes care of all devotees who surrender to Him completely and pray to Him every day and who follow the path of righteousness. Performing Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam is the easiest way to seek the Grace of the Supreme Lord.

The great Maharshi Athri narrated the fifth chapter of this amazing Vratham in the following manner.

"Dear beloved devotees of Srinivasa! You are lucky to be born in Kaliyuga. The people of Kruta, Tretha and Dwaapara yugas had to perform severe penance and do great Yagnas and Yagas to get Lord Srimannarayana's Blessings. But in Kaliyuga, mere chanting of Sri Srinivasa's name brings fruitful results! One has to call Him with utmost devotion and the next minute, He stands by the devotee's side. Such an epitome of compassion is Lord Srinivasa.Every stone in Tirumala Kshetra is a Saligramam (sacred stone of Vishnu). Every single step taken on this Sacred Hill is the result of good deeds (punya) several births.

In olden days, there lived a washer man called Mithrudu in Koumaara kingdom. He was a man of righteousness and would do

charity with his earnings in addition to carrying out his duties as a washerman. As he was handicapped, he used to worry a lot. Due to his physical disability, it was difficult for him to carry loads of washed clothes to deliver in every house. Added to this, he had a big family. He could make ends meet with great difficulty. However he prayed to Lord Srinivasa everyday and believed that one day the Lord would shower His grace on him. Lord Srimannarayana knew of Mithrudu's hard life, and also the faith he posed in Him. No matter how great a devotee is, one has to pay for one's Karma of previous births. Once we overcome it, then the Lord comes in some form to relieve us from our miseries.

On one evening, Mithrudu was returning to the village with the load of washed clothes and was finding it very difficult to walk. On the way, he met an old Brahmin. Due to his spiritual nature, he immediately put down his load of clothes on the ground and greeted the Brahmin by folding his hands. Seeing his plight the Brahmin said ' ' Oh Son! You are facing a lot of problems with this disability. I feel sorry for your plight. ' Mithrudu prayed saying ' Swamy! You seem to be a great person . I am forced to work despite my disability for the sake of my large family. Can you suggest a way to overcome my disability?'

The Brahmin replied 'Son! I am more than willing to help, please listen carefully. Not only your lameness will be gone but you will also be blessed with prosperity by performing a Vratham. You will receive a thousand gold coins as soon as you complete the Vratham. There is one condition. You have to give me half of the coins, I will meet you tomorrow here at the same time.'

Mithrudu was very happy and prayed ' Swamy! I am very fortunate! I will perform the sacred Vratham today itself, please tell me the procedure'. The Brahmin explained in detail Sri Venkateswara Vratham to Mithrudu.

With great fervour, Mithrudu returned home and narrated the whole story to his wife. They invited their neighbours, performed the Vratham, ate the prasadam and distributed it to everyone. As soon as they finished the Vratham, they could hear some commotion outside their house. Mithrudu's son ran inside and said 'Father! The royal guards have come. The king has sent gifts to you'. The Royal guards came in and said that the King had appointed Mithrudu as the Royal washer man and that he had sent one thousand coins as a gift. And that he should join duty in the Palace within a week.

Mithrudu's joy knew no bounds. He couldn't wait even for a day and started for the palace the following day with bag and baggage. In this happiness, he completely forgot about his promise to the old Brahmin. However on his way to the palace when he remembered the promise, he thought he could meet the old Brahmin in a month's time. He joined the royal palace as a washer man and forgot all about the old Brahmin. Days and months passed by. Lord Srimannarayana, who had taken the form of the old Brahmin, was angry with Mithrudu. Bhagawan thought that this is typical of human nature and wanted to teach him a lesson.

As a result, the next day, the Queen's jewellery was lost and Mithrudu was alleged as the thief. Mithrudu was imprisoned and put behind bars. He was tortured by the prison guards in various ways. Mithrudu was deeply disturbed over the happening. He did not know why this allegation fell on him. Then Sri Srinivasa came in his dream

and told that it was He Himself who had come in the form of the old Brahmin, and that Mitrudu had to undergo the suffering, because he forgot about the promise he made when He appeared before him as old Brahmin. Immediately Mithrudu prayed ' Swamy! I am a sinner. I did not keep my prmise. I forgot you when I got good money. Please pardon me. From now on, I will perform the Vratham every month. Until my death I will offer half of my earnings to you'. The compassionate Lord was pleased and immediately pardoned him.

As a result of the Lords' grace, the queen's jewellery was found elsewhere. The king realised that Mithrudu was innocent, and hence released him from the jail. From then on, Mithrudu performed Sri Venkateswara Vratham every month and offered half of his monthly earnings to the Lord. He spent the rest of his life happily and in the end attained Mukti.'...Thus Maharshi Athri ended the Fifth Story of Sri Venkateswara Vratam.

Govinda...Govinda...Govinda

End of fifth chapter

Sriyah Kaanthaaya Kalyaana Nidhaye Nidhayerdhinaam
Sri Venkata Nivaasaaya Srinivaasaaya Mangalam

Sarvam Sri Venkateswararpanamasthu
Samasthe Sanmangalani Bhvanthu
Sarvejana Sukhinibhvanthu

End of Sri Venkateswara Vratha Kalpam